# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 14 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 15 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 13 Dec 2021 at 15:44 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for damp weather at times on Tuesday and Wednesday. High for a change to dry and settled weather from Thursday onwards.

**Headline for Tuesday 14 Dec 2021:** Cloudy and windy with rain, mainly in the north

**Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 14 Dec 2021**

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| **Blizzards**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy Snow**<br>No Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>Low Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>High Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>High Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>No Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>No Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Cloudy | Cloudy | Heavy snow | Sleet | Heavy Rain | Light rain | Heavy Rain | Heavy Rain |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| 00% | 00% | 30% | 50% | 60% | 50% | 50% | 30% |

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**Weather:** A cloudy day with extensive low cloud. Outbreaks of rain, briefly preceded by snow on the higher tops, will spread east through the morning. Further rain is expected across Argyll and southern Lochaber during the afternoon and evening, but drier conditions will develop across Kintyre and Arran with just some occasional drizzle.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Little chance during daylight hours

**Visibility:** Poor in extensive low cloud below 500 metres for much of the day, but summits may be clear of low cloud across Arran and southern Kintyre until mid-morning

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**Forecast for Tuesday 14 Dec 2021**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 32/41 SW | 41/52 S | 47/61 SW | 55/69 SW | 52/68 SW | 50/66 SW | 49/65 SW | 48/63 SW | 47/63 SW |
| **900** | 23/32 SW | 31/42 SW | 33/46 SW | 35/48 SW | 35/49 SW | 34/48 SW | 34/49 SW | 33/48 SW | 33/48 SW |
| **600** | 29/36 SW | 39/49 SW | 41/53 SW | 42/55 SW | 43/57 SW | 40/54 SW | 38/53 SW | 37/52 SW | 36/51 SW |
| **300** | 15/24 S | 18/29 S | 22/36 SW | 24/37 S | 21/34 SW | 21/34 SW | 21/35 SW | 21/36 SW | 21/36 SW |
| **Glen** | 11/23 SW | 14/28 SW | 16/33 SW | 17/35 SW | 19/37 SW | 18/35 SW | 18/36 SW | 18/36 SW | 18/36 SW |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | -3/-12 | -3/-14 | -3/-14 | -2/-13 | -0/-10 | 1/-8 | 2/-6 | 2/-6 | 2/-6 |
| **900** | -1/-8 | -1/-9 | -0/-9 | 0/-8 | 2/-6 | 3/-4 | 4/-3 | 4/-3 | 4/-2 |
| **600** | 2/-5 | 2/-5 | 2/-6 | 3/-5 | 4/-3 | 5/-1 | 6/-0 | 6/0 | 6/1 |
| **300** | 4/-0 | 4/-0 | 5/-1 | 5/-1 | 6/1 | 7/3 | 8/3 | 8/4 | 8/4 |
| **Glen** | 6/2 | 6/3 | 7/3 | 6/2 | 8/3 | 9/5 | 9/6 | 10/6 | 10/6 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 800m | 800m | 800m | 1300m | 2500m | 2300m | 2100m | 2200m | 2200m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Stormy conditions will make for slow and drenching progress at height. Note rapid increase in freezing level by afternoon.

**Forecast for Wednesday 15 Dec 2021**

**Weather:** Low confidence for detail. Cloud and rain in the early hours becoming confined to the Central Belt southwards during the daytime. The north will be mostly dry and bright before rain and low cloud spread back northwards from late afternoon.

**Maximum wind:** Westerly 20 to 30 mph on the higher tops

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 50%

**Visibility:** Poor in low cloud across the south down to 500 metres, but summits generally clear in the north with good visibility.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to 10 Celsius
**At 800m:** Plus 4 to 7 Celsius
**Freezing level:** 1200 metres in the far north, otherwise well above summits

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